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# BUS SERVICES 'ARE AT RISK'

## Council say service review is part of routine procedure

### War veteran makes TV appearance



BUS routes in parts of the county could be at risk, according to community group Bus Users UK Oxford.

Oxfordshire County Council reviews its bus services every six years, in order to see where savings could be made or where new routes could be introduced.

As a result, this could mean that seven routes in West Oxfordshire are withdrawn and 17 others reduced.

Routes under threat include the 23A, 113, 233, 811, C1, T1 and X9, while those potentially facing reductions are the 11, 18, 19, 64, 203, 213, 214, 215, 220, 223, 224, 224A, 233, 242, 242A, W3 and X8A.

Hugh Jaeger, spokesperson for Bus Users UK Oxford, said: "You cannot withdraw or reduce two dozen bus routes and then expect more parents to send their children to school on those services that you have just cut."

"Fewer people use reduced services, so the subsidy per passenger is more likely to go up than down."

"This creates an excuse for further service cuts, until

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these bus routes wither away completely."

A spokesperson for Oxfordshire County Council said: "Reviews of subsidised bus services take place routinely in each part of Oxfordshire once every six years. They are set up to review current contract arrangements and assess whether those services covered by these contracts need amending."

"By this process, some bus services are created, some are discontinued and others altered based on passenger numbers using services."

"The subsidised bus review in West Oxfordshire is no different, and would have been due to take place at this time regardless of the financial climate."

The public has until tomorrow to submit comments to the county council about the proposed cuts to buses in West Oxfordshire.

Visit the county council website for more information.

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# 'Give them a fitting final resting place'

OXFORD war graves that had become overgrown and forgotten about have been restored, after work to bring the site to its former glory was carried out by a team from RAF Benson.

The graves at Osney Lane Cemetery is the final resting place of 27 soldiers, and each headstone has been prepared to receive dwarf daffodils, snowdrops and white stone chippings.

It was the idea of Sergeant Steve Brown, who noticed the overgrown graves as he passed by the site on a train.

Steve then visited the cemetery to inspect the graves, and began to work to restore the site.

This included a lot of back-ground work, first to confirm that the graves were registered with the War Graves Commission, and then to ensure there were no family objections to the proposed project.

They then collected the bulbs

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and a donation of stone chippings from Wickes, before clearing the site of weeds and preparing the headstones.

Steve said: "The graves were scattered across the cemetery and we wanted to make sure that they were uniform."

"We couldn't place the stone chippings surrounding the headstone as you would normally see on a war grave, as some of the headstones were so close to the railings."

"But we hope that the work we've managed to do gives a small amount of respect to the boys who gave their lives for us."

The project was carried out by the Military Provost Guard Service (MPGS) from RAF Benson, and worked on by Steve, Lance Corporal Dean Millward and Private Pat Lockyer.

They were also assisted by colleagues Corporal Pat Bone and Lance Corporal Hern Thapa,



who were on duty during the renovations.

Dean said: "We are honoured to be able to take on this project as a unit."

"The MPGS at RAF Benson are a close knit bunch and many of us have seen action at some point in our career."

"To know that we have been able to give these guys a fitting final resting place is a heart-warming feeling."

"As the poem says, they gave their tomorrow for our today, and we should be eternally grateful to them all."



The team will continue to look after the graves to keep them in a good condition, and ensure they are suitable for the fallen soldiers.

They also visited the cemetery over the weekend to commemorate Remembrance Day, laying a wreath and placing a personalised poppy on a small wooden cross on each grave.

## Suspended sentence for Oxford man, 24

A 24-YEAR-OLD man was given a four-month suspended prison sentence at Oxford Magistrates' Court last Thursday, following a sexual assault which occurred in July.

Silviano Pereira, of Sorrell Road, Blackbird Leys, was also given a 24-month supervision requirement, and ordered to pay £750 in compensation to the victim.

The incident in question took place on a bus in the Blackbird Leys area, where Pereira inappropriately touched his victim, a 23-year-old woman.

He pleaded guilty to one count of

sexual assault by touching following the offence, which occurred in the early hours of July 27.

Investigating officer Det Con Darren Little of Local CID in Oxford said: "I hope this case highlights the fact that Thames Valley Police will investigate every report of sexual assault."

"I welcome the sentence imposed upon Pereira, who will face imprisonment should he commit any offences in the next two years."

"I hope Pereira's sentencing will now bring some closure to the victim, who was extremely distressed by the incident."

## Townsend cleared of all sex assault charges

ABINGDON Chamber of Commerce's former president Paul Townsend has been cleared of 20 sexual offences charges, at the end of his trial at Oxford Crown Court on Friday.

Mr Townsend was charged back in March and stepped down as president as a result, along with his former role on the Dunmore Pre-School Committee.

Charges included 13 counts of sexual activity with a child, three of sexual assault and a further four of causing or incit-

ing a child to engage in sexual activity.

They related to alleged incidents by four teenage girls over a two-year period, with Townsend stating all along that he had only hugged them.

He admitted to buying one of the girls some lacy underwear, but denied all other allegations after first being arrested in August 2012.

Jurors took approximately six and a half hours to reach their decision on Friday, to conclude the three-week trial.

## News Bites

### Toilets open

GLOUCESTER Green's public toilets will be officially opened today, following a refurbishment of the facility as part of a scheme to improve 21 public conveniences across Oxford.

The new toilets incorporate premium fixtures and fittings, featuring energy efficient hand wash facilities and bright low-energy LED lighting.

It is part of a major overhaul of the Gloucester Green toilets, with the dated electrics and plumbing systems being completely upgraded.

He said: "The new facilities are completely transformed with increased space and new parent and baby facilities."

"The transformation is amazing and I am delighted with the results, and I hope the residents and visitors to the city are as well."

Work to improve the toilets cost approximately £130,000, with the total cost of the scheme expected to be £450,000.

### Happy dogs!

A BANBURY charity has received £13,000, which was raised by this year's annual Wasperton to Stratford raft race organised by the Wellesbourne and Shakespeare Lions clubs.

Dogs for the Disabled also entered a team themselves, and won the 'Endurance Shield' by completing the entire seven mile course with their raft partially submerged.

Jane Sargent, regional fundraiser for the charity, said: "We are delighted the Lions have raised this fantastic sum to help us purchase and train more assistance dogs."

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# 'You are in hospital too much when...'



A DIDCOT author who has written three books about her experiences with a condition that left her in a wheelchair will be holding a signing session in the town later this month.

Hannah Ensor suffers with Hyper-Mobility Syndrome (HMS), and has put together three cartoon books to give a humorous approach to what she has to go through on a daily basis.

HMS is a connective tissue disorder, and means that Hannah's joints stretch further than normal.

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Using stick-men characters, Hannah's books are filled with handy hints and one-liners, and have won praise from medical professionals, patients, and their friends and families.

"I started experiencing how uncomfortable people could be around disability and how difficult it was to explain things about it," Hannah said.

"Either people did not realise what you mean, or people took it really seriously and got scared by it."

"So I started drawing cartoons as a way of showing it how it is, in such a way that people aren't scared by it or put off by it."

Her three books in the series are: 'You know you have been in hospital too much when...', 'You know you have Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome when...', and 'You know you have Hyper-mobility Syndrome

or Ehlers Danlos Syndrome when...'

Hannah added: "I use the book whenever anyone asks what's wrong with me, I hand them the book and within minutes they're laughing and saying 'oh my word, that's normal for you!'"

"I've even had the case where someone had read the book, and five minutes later I had partially dislocated my wrist, and needed them to help me put it back in."

"That's a scary thing to ask someone to do, but because they'd read the book, they'd had a laugh about that page already."

"It really facilitated me getting what I wanted, and them not finding it scary because they knew that's what happens. Yes it's unpleasant, but it's ok."

Hannah will be at the Didcot branch of WHSmith on November 28 from 6pm to 9pm, at the same time the town's street fair is taking place.

For more information about her books, go to [www.stickmancommunications.co.uk](http://www.stickmancommunications.co.uk).



• Hannah Ensor and (inset) her three stick-man books

## News Bites

### Charity appeal

GLOBAL workplace provider Regus in Oxford is urging people to support a Christmas campaign to send shoeboxes filled with presents to needy children in third-world countries.

Shoeboxes can be dropped off at the Regus centres at Oxford Business Park and Oxford Science Park on weekdays from 9am to 5pm until Monday.

### F1 auction

TWO helmets worn by 1976 Formula One champion James Hunt and a Niki Lauda helmet and race suit used in the blockbuster film 'Rush' are going up for auction in Oxford next month.

A Hunt helmet worn when he won the F1 championship is expected to reach between £18,000 and £20,000, when the items go up for sale at the Bonhams Collectors' Motor Cars and Automobilia Sale on December 9.

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## Counting down to Christmas time at Millets Farm

CHRISTMAS came to Oxfordshire this weekend with the arrival of Santa at Millets Farm - and this year Mrs Claus joined him.

The Frilford-based farm's Christmas grotto and ice rink officially opened at the weekend. Children got the chance to visit St Nick in his grotto after making reindeer food and singing songs with the elves.

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# More parking spaces set for areas of Oxford

## Children's charity donations are hampered!

NURSERY children from Rose Hill have done their bit for charity by donating harvest hampers full of food to local causes.

The hampers have been donated to Helen and Douglas House, Oxford Children's Hospital and Oxford Homeless Pathways.

The children teamed up with the Midcounties Co-operative Food store in Ashurst Way, Oxford, and chose food from the shop to put into their specially decorated hampers.

Aaron Gee, store Manager at the shop in Oxford, said: "It was great having the children come into the store and they were interested in the different types of food we have and where it comes from."

"The children were very enthusiastic about donating the food to the charities they selected and were excited to get the hampers back to the nursery to decorate."

Lisa Thornton, nursery manager at Rose Hill, added: "We took five groups of children into



• (Left to right) Lisa Thornton, Nicola Robertson, third in charge at the nursery, Sophie Smith, deputy manager at the nursery, Donna Wood, deputy manager at the Cooperative Store, with Bianca Stefankiewicz, Connor Edwards, and Livi Mossop.

the food store and they really enjoyed choosing what to put in their hampers.

"After bringing the hampers back to the nursery, the children worked together to deco-

rate them, which they loved. "It was a fun activity for the children to get involved in as it really helped them learn about the importance of charitable giving."

PLANNING permission has been granted to five projects in Oxford, which form part of Oxford City Council's capital programme of car parking works.

The works will take place over the next three years at a cost of £1.5m, part of which has already funded the completed verge protection project at Ashurst Way in Rose Hill.

As a result of the approval, 18 residents' parking spaces will be created in Blackbird Leys Road, with 16 spaces being created in Chillingworth Crescent.

There will also be 19 spaces created in Monks Close, 13 in Redmoor Close and 30 in Normandy Crescent.

Work on Blackbird Leys is scheduled to start later this month after a number of long-standing complaints about vehicles parking on grass verges, with parking improvements being top of a residents' wish list.

"These projects form part of the Great Estates programme," said Cllr Scott Seamons, board

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member for housing.

"We are delivering improvements to the external areas of our housing estates, and having these approved means we can now move these projects forward."

"As a local councillor, I know from calling round that the parking problem on Blackbird Leys Road is particularly bad."

"It's great to see that local concerns have been listened to and the work is now starting."

"Many of our estates were built before tenants owned one car, let alone the two or more they have today, creating an obvious need for more parking provision."

"At the moment, tenants in some places have taken to parking on the grass with little other option available."

"We want to create quality external environments in our estates with proper parking spaces provided and the remaining green spaces protected."

A further 35 sites are now being considered as part of next year's programme, which is currently being formed.



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## Get down to university's spring school

BOOKING is now open for Oxford University's Spring School, organised by the Faculty of English Language and Literature on the theme of British poetry of the First World War.

It will run from April 3 to 5 and is open to the public, bringing together experts on First World War poetry to give lectures and guide attendees to further avenues of study.

Dr Stuart Lee, organiser of Spring School, said: "The poetry of the First World War is some of the most important and influential work of the 20th century, shaping our attitudes to war and still having enormous cultural resonances."

"This is witnessed by the national debate surrounding the commemoration of the start of the war 100 years on."

"However, the poetry also brings into question so many 'truths' that it is appropriate we revisit this important body of work in a new light in 2014."

Speakers who have been confirmed to attend next year's event include Adrian Barlow, Simon Featherstone and Jane Potter, alongside a number of other experts in the field.

## Cloudy2Clear Windows – Service With A Smile!

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Cloudy2Clear service Oxfordshire from their local depots and Josh is finding that his approach is a major factor in his success. "The truth is that it's not just the personal

satisfaction that I get from doing a good job but also it makes good business sense. I get a huge amount of business from friends and family of people I've done work for, which just goes to show how much

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## Winter lights preparations

TWO free workshops are being held in Carterton this weekend, to give people the chance to make their very own lanterns ahead of the town's Winter Lights Procession.

Oxfordshire artist Emma Cooling and West Oxfordshire District Council arts and leisure manager Heather McCulloch will lead the workshops, and help residents create paper lanterns ahead of the procession, taking place on November 29.

Heather, who has been involved with the event since it started four years ago, said: "I love the Carterton winter lights workshops."

"Each year so many people come along and I am looking forward to seeing familiar faces and meeting old friends again. It's a lovely atmosphere, really magical."

Both will take place at Carterton Community Centre: the first on Saturday from 10am to 4pm, and the second on Sunday from 1pm to 5pm.

The procession itself begins at 5.30pm at the community centre, arriving in town for participants to see the Christmas lights being switched on.

Cllr Richard Langridge said: "The event has really captured the imagination of the people of Carterton with some wonderful lanterns created each year."

# Witney veteran, 89, revisits battlefields

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A WITNEY Second World War veteran, who has taken part in the National Lottery funded project D-Day Revisited, has appeared on Saturday night's National Lottery Live programme.

Patrick Churchill, 89, was one of nine veterans to appear on Saturday's show as part of D-Day Revisited, which was established in 2008 to ensure that the thousands of lives lost are not forgotten.

Veterans have been able to pay their tributes to the soldiers who didn't come home by making pilgrimages to the Normandy beaches, after the project was given over £44,000 of lottery funding.

Patrick was an RM Commando who landed on Juno Beach early on D-Day, and has been awarded the Croix de Guerre medal by former French President Jacques Chirac.

"I was delighted to have had this opportunity to appear on National Lottery Live," said Patrick. "It is an ideal way to show our appreciation for the



• Veterans taking part in D-Day Revisited, which sees them return to Normandy

funding.

"It means such a great deal to return to those battlefields. Although nearly 70 years have passed, we still feel a strong sense of duty to return to pay respects to our comrades who were not so fortunate."

John Phipps of D-Day Revisited said: "We are always keen for the wider public to learn about the Normandy landings and how it has affected all our

lives. In many ways the veterans are ordinary people from within our own neighbourhoods."

"They are granddads and great-granddads now, yet when they were young men they trained hard, then stormed the beaches of the Atlantic Wall and liberated Europe."

"For that huge contribution to our modern freedoms, D-Day Revisited's motivation is to help veterans to be front and centre

so that we can learn more of our nation's history from the people who were actually there."

Each year, D-Day Revisited take around 100 veterans back to France each year, and are open to anyone who took part in Operation Overlord or the wider Normandy campaign.

For more information about the D-Day Revisited project, go to [www.d-dayrevisited.co.uk](http://www.d-dayrevisited.co.uk) or phone 01244 531765.

## Three serious collisions in Thame area

FIRE crews in Thame have dealt with three separate serious road traffic collisions in recent weeks, all occurring in the Thame area.

On October 27, a man was seriously hurt after being thrown from his car when it collided with a tree on the A329 between Milton Common and Thame at around 11pm.

A second incident took place on November 3 after two vehicles collided on the M40 near to junction 8a.

Two male occupants of a van were treated at the scene, and were both taken to hospital for further checks.

Then on November 6, a man was seriously hurt and had to be cut free from his car after a collision between two vehicles on the A329 near Great Milton.

A woman was also taken to hospital with a broken wrist.

Watch manager Andy Ford from Thame fire station said: "The people injured in these collisions suffered serious injuries and it's very fortunate it has not been worse."

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## Train hits car at level crossing

A BANBURY woman has been detained under the mental health act after the car she was driving was struck by a train in Yarnton on Tuesday.

The incident took place at the Sandy Lane level crossing on Tuesday at around 4.40pm. Police, fire crews and the ambulance service were called out.

The woman, believed to be in her 40s, remains in hospital for assessment, although her injuries are not understood to be serious.

At the scene she was discovered in her black Volkswagen Golf, and had to be cut out of the car.

A British Transport Police spokesperson said: "The train involved, the 2.45pm Bournemouth to Manchester Piccadilly Cross Country service, remained upright and on the tracks.

"There were no reported injuries to the 100 passengers onboard the train."

It comes after an 85-year-old man was killed at the level crossing in January.

Officers are working to establish the full circumstances surrounding the incident, and are asking for anyone with information about the incident to contact 0800 405040.

# University alumni go back to the classroom

OVER 100 Oxford University students, staff and alumni have joined a programme to encourage pupils at their former state schools to continue with higher education and apply to university.

Oxford students were the biggest group to offer their support as part of this year's Back to School Week, a nationwide campaign for former students to help young people at their old schools.

It was organised by social enterprise charity FutureFirst, who encourage those taking part to return to their former state school to give career and UCAS talks and guidance, become a governor, or make a donation.

Oxford University Student Union (OUSU) and the university's Widening Participation team collaborated to sign up as many undergraduates for the scheme as possible.

Rachel Pickering, Vice-President for access and academic affairs at OUSU, said: "We managed to sign up three times as

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many people to this excellent scheme than any other student union, accounting for nearly five per cent of national sign-ups.

"This is amazing and really proves how engaged our students, staff and alumni are in outreach and access work."

OUSU signed up many students during Freshers' Week, while Widening Participation gave out postcards to staff and sent information to parents.

Tara Pravag, head of Widening Participation, said: "Our staff make countless visits to schools throughout the year to encourage students to think about higher education. But there is no substitute for school children being able to hear directly from students who were in their position only a few years ago."

Oxford University Press will also be contributing by providing 1,000 books to be given to state school students.

This is part of Widening Participation's primary school programme, to help 35 schools in Oxfordshire, Buckinghamshire, Milton Keynes and Swindon.

## Police released image of bedroom attacker

POLICE have released an e-fit following a sexual assault that took place in Oxford in the early hours of October 9.

At 4.30am, a woman was asleep in a James Street property when she awoke to find a man in the room with her, who then kissed her and left the building through a window.

A man matching his description was then seen outside the same property on October 18, who knocked on the door and then left the scene.

He is believed to be black or mixed race, in his early to mid-twenties, around 5ft 7ins to 5ft 8ins, of lean build with dark short hair.

During the first incident, he was wearing dark trousers and a grey plaid lumberjack-style shirt.

The second time, the man was seen wearing dark blue jeans and a long-sleeved black and white shirt.

Detective Sergeant Simon Hannam, investigating officer of Force CID based in Oxford, said: "The victim of



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this assault, though thankfully unhurt, was left very shaken."

"I urge anyone who saw a man in the e-fit or matching

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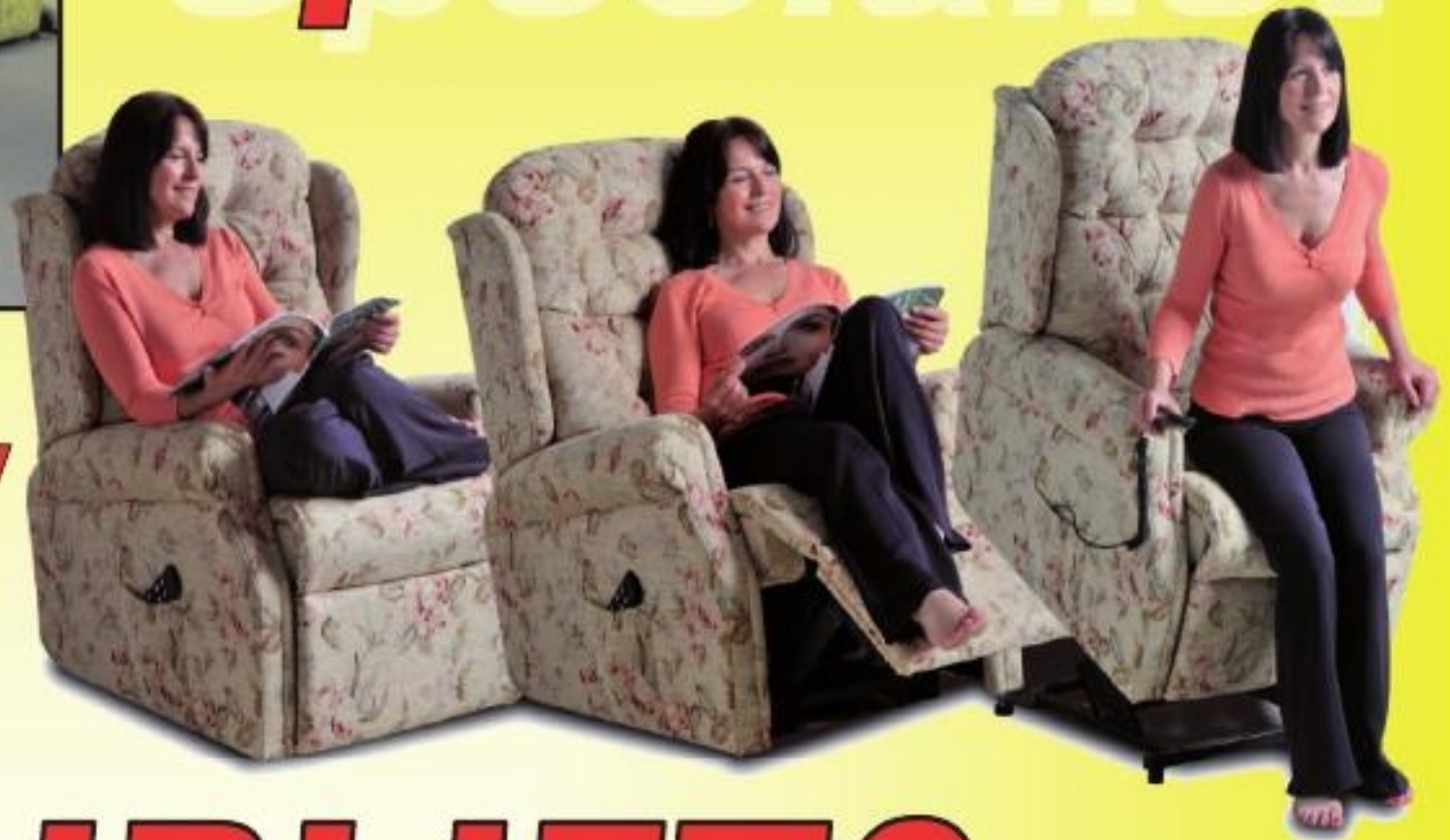
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# U's players hope to hit right notes

A HANDFUL of Oxford United players will be part of a special Christmas choir later this month.

Striker James Constable, defenders Johnny Mullins and Sam Long and midfielder Scott Davies, along with members of the Ladies team and Youth team, will form an Oxford United choir.

They will be trained by Darren Lord, a musical director who has previously worked on Mamma Mia and Wicked, before the big performance on November 24 on a main stage in St Giles.

James said: "I'm delighted to be a part of the Christmas Choir to really show that we as a club want to be involved with our local commu-

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nity.

"I'm not convinced by my voice but hopefully Darren Lord will be able to improve that."

It is all part of Oxford City Council's Day of Song, which will see ten local and national choirs performing in cultural venues, shops and St Giles.

The players will be singing as part of the big finale to the Christmas Light Festival.

Rachel Capell, events officer at Oxford City Council, said: "This is the first time we have organised the Day of Song and we are really excited that so many choirs are taking part.

"We are also pleased that Oxford United players are joining us and we hope that it will attract a variety of people to the city on Sunday afternoon."

"The day is an opportunity to walk round different cultural venues and listen to a variety of different choirs before joining us for the finale in St Giles which promises to be fantastic."

Christmas Light Festival is an annual event of art, music, dance and performance.

It begins with Christmas Light Night and the Lantern Parade on November 22 and ends with the Day of Song, taking place from 10am until 4pm across the city with the finale at 3.30pm in St Giles.

## Host parties to raise funds for homeless!

AN OXFORD-BASED charity is calling upon families, schools, offices and community groups to host Christmas parties to help raise money for homeless people.

Crisis Skylight Oxford, the city's branch of the national charity for single homelessness, want people to support its work as the festive seasons draws closer.

Lord Mayor of Oxford Dee Sinclair met Kate Cocker, director of Crisis Skylight Oxford, and Deb-

bie Smart, who has been homeless, at a special launch event for the Crisis Christmas Parties.

Leslie Morphy, Crisis chief executive, said: "Being homeless is a frightening, lonely, desperate place to be - and the sad fact is that homelessness is rising."

"By hosting a Crisis Christmas Party, you will allow us to help even more of the most vulnerable and isolated people in our society, all year round."

Last year 311 households in Oxfordshire were accepted as homeless by their council, a 25 per cent increase over two years.

Ms Smart became homeless after the break up of her marriage, having struggled with mental health problems throughout her adult life.

She said: "Crisis has given me hope, a sense of purpose and a place to feel welcome - it's become my candle in the dark."

### News Bites

#### Right tune

OXFORDSHIRE'S County Youth Orchestra was given the chance to perform at the Royal Albert Hall on Tuesday, as they took part in the National Schools' Prom.

It followed an award-winning performance at the National Festival of Music for Youth back in July.

Melinda Tilley of Oxfordshire County Council said: "This was a fantastic opportunity and the experience will no doubt live in their memories for years to come."

#### Home scheme

AN AFFORDABLE home contents insurance scheme, which aims to help Oxford City Council tenants protect their possessions, has been announced.

It will be launched in January 2014, and covers tenants' personal belongings against theft, fire, vandalism or burst pipes.

Cllr Scott Seamons, board member for housing, said: "Tenants need to think about taking out home contents insurance to protect their possessions. It's a scheme that meets many people's needs at a price they can afford."

#### Workshops

SCIENCE Oxford have revealed a list of schools where they will be staging workshops during the rest of the month, in the run-up to the judging of their construction challenge.

Cuttislowe Primary School will be holding a workshop tomorrow morning, while SS Mary and John Primary School will host theirs the following Friday.

As part of the construction challenge, children work in teams to build a working model of a crane, allowing them to understand a range of engineering skills.

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### Review is due

A JUDICIAL review into Cherwell District Council's decision to approve the Banbury Gateway development concluded last Thursday, with a final decision expected in the coming weeks.

The two-day hearing at London's High Court came about because Aegon and Scottish Widows, who respectively own Banbury Cross Retail Park and Castle Quay, were concerned the decision-making process was not legally sound.

It relates to investment company LXB's plans to create a number of retail units and cafés on the existing Prodrive site in Acorn Way, approved by the council in March 2012.

### World record

MORE than 30 pupils from Ferndale Preparatory School in Faringdon got to go to the Royal Albert Hall as part of a successful Guinness World Record attempt, for the most Ocarinas playing at the same time.

More than 3,200 children and adults filled the venue, to beat the record previously set in China.

Jonathan Greator, head of music at the school, said: "The atmosphere was incredible and it was a really special event."

# We are all so proud of him, and always will be

THE repatriation of Warrant Officer Class 2 (WO2) Ian Fisher, from 3rd Battalion The Mercian Regiment, is scheduled to take place from RAF Brize Norton today.

WO2 Fisher, 42, from Barking, Essex, died on November 5 during a two-day operation to disrupt insurgent activity in Kamparak, Helmand Province, Afghanistan.

His vehicle was targeted by a suicide attack, and after being evacuated by air to the military hospital at Camp Bastion, it was confirmed that he had been killed in action.

He leaves behind his wife Emma and two sons: James aged 7 and William aged 5, and parents Simon and Helen.

Paying tribute to her husband, Emma said: "Ian will always be the centre of my life, and he will be remembered as a doting father, loving husband and a true professional soldier."

"He loved being a soldier, that's what he lived for. We are all so proud and always will be."

Lieutenant Colonel Chris Davies, commanding officer of 3rd Battalion The Mercian Regiment, said: "To lose a soldier in combat is a tragedy that hits any

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unit hard.

"But to lose a warrant officer of WO2 Ian Fisher's calibre and standing in such a tight knit family regiment is a huge blow that has left the whole battalion numb."

"His reputation as a tough-talking, no nonsense sergeant major belied his quick wit and mischievous sense of humour, and his men loved him for it."

"Our thoughts are with his wife Emma, two sons, James and William, and his parents, Helen and Simon, at this most difficult of times."

Warrant Officer Class 1 Robert Mears said: "WO2 Ian Fisher was a dependable, loyal and trustworthy man who had the respect of his peers, friends and subordinates alike."

"Ian will leave a gap in our battalion and our wider regimental family. He will be sorely missed by all as he was known for his ability, sense of humour and sheer professionalism."

The Secretary of State for Defence, Philip Hammond MP, said: "It is with great sadness



• Warrant Officer Class 2 Ian Fisher

that I learned of the death of WO2 Ian Fisher.

"It is clear from the tributed from his colleagues that he was an exemplary soldier who made a huge contribution to the Army over many years, on a number of operational tours."

"My thoughts and deepest condolences are with his family and friends."

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Stalin was satisfied that his army would be in Helsinki within a week. He was to be disappointed and in March 1940 a conditional surrender was signed.

Finland lost significant areas

of land but retained their freedom.

The fact that a few Finns had caused such chaos to Stalin's invasion plans probably encouraged Hitler in his wish to invade Russia and hence his attention was drawn away from Britain.

There are still a number of Didcot residents who fought in WW2.

Talking to the WW2 veterans I've met in Didcot, they are always modest but having read the history of the various Divisions and units involved, these gentlemen experienced some very hard fighting.

A number of veterans who were involved in conflicts in the 40s, 50s and 60s recently came to the Cornerstone to attend the unveiling of commemorative artwork, some of which was created by pupils at Didcot Girl's school.



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# Council project shows student improvement

OXFORD schools have seen an improvement in the progress of their pupils' reading and mathematics skills, following a project launched by the city council.

The Education Attainment Project has seen eight schools serving the more disadvantaged areas of Oxford take part, with the aim of narrowing the gap in attainment for children.

It is part of Oxford City Council's KRM programme, which teaches all children the key skills they need to read, write and do mathematics well.

Cllr Pat Kennedy, board member for education, said: "I am delighted that so many children are enjoying their learning and making such encouraging progress."

"Fluent reading is fundamental for achievement in many areas of life."

"The work that the council has been doing with schools in disadvantaged areas is fantastic and I hope that we continue to be rewarded with good results."

In the KRM teaching sessions, pupils are taught phonic skills, spelling, vocabulary and learning words on sight in order to read fluently.

Sessions occur three times a

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day for 15 minutes, and all children are included regardless of their disability and language needs to ensure they learn together.

As part of the programme, each school was given £8,000 worth of what are being dubbed 'real' books, in that they are not the ones used as reading scheme books within many schools.

East Oxford Primary School is one of the sites taking part in the programme, and interim executive headteacher Lisa Biggin believes it has been a success.

Figures for the school show that in the six months from January to July 2013, the average progress in reading for children in years two, three and five had more than doubled.

Ms Biggin said: "The children are enjoying the KRM programme. The injection of the 'real' books has had a high quality impact on reading opportunities."

"The school is starting implementation of the KRM writing programme shortly to target and accelerate progress further."

## Youngsters given chance to find their talent

UNIPART, a name familiar with Oxford United fans, have once again combined with the football club to help unlock talent in young people.

The Cowley-based company that provides manufacturing, logistics and consultancy solutions for global companies have teamed up with Oxford United for a second year to help young people unlock their true potential.

Most fans will remember Unipart being United's shirt sponsors during the Manor days, but the two have now combined to expand the company's Talent Factory.

Paul Brooks, development director at Unipart, explained: "The intention is to, under the talent factory banner, identify future talent."

"School children will go through an experience day with Oxford United and Unipart and then what we will try to offer them is an application to do a whole weeks worth of experience with Unipart."

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• Tony Davison, Talent Factory project manager Chris Murphy, business development manager at Oxford United Peter Rhoades-Brown and Paul Brooks.

those will get the opportunity to apply for an apprenticeship with Unipart so that is the sort of talent progression that we are trying to do."

Tony Davison, Oxford United's commercial director,

added: "Unipart's commitment to helping in the community in and around Oxford ties in perfectly with some of the very exciting projects that we are looking to implement across the county."

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### House fire

A HOUSE fire broke out in a Blackbird Leys property on November 5 but the quick thinking of its occupants saw them evacuate safely.

Three fire engines attended the blaze on Pegasus Road, finding smoke pouring from the first floor of the house, and extinguished the blaze.

### Spires talk

LOCAL historian Julian Munby will be giving a talk to the Oxford Preservation Trust (OPT) on November 19. Mr Munby will speak about the history and development of the dreaming spires of the city over the centuries.

The talk starts at 6pm at the Key Learning Centre at Oxford Castle and costs £8 for OPT members and £12 for non-members.

### Xmas online

A NEW website has been launched to help inform people of what is happening during the festive season.

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# Pop-up shop is set for Bicester town centre

A NEW 'pop-up shop' is coming to Bicester today and tomorrow, offering help and advice about apprenticeships for young people and their families.

The Oxfordshire Apprenticeships scheme will be setting up at the Crown Walk shopping centre, and people are being urged to drop in and find out more about potential career opportunities.

Oxfordshire County Council will also be at the site, to offer advice to potential employers interested in taking on an apprentice.

Cllr Melinda Tilley, cabinet member for children, education and families, said: "Record numbers of young people have started an apprenticeship in Oxfordshire during the past year and are seeing the benefits of earning while they learn."

"There is a wider choice of good quality, local apprenticeships than ever before, with options to suit a host of different interests."

"I would urge anyone to come along and find out more."

The shop itself has been fitted out by youngsters on construction pre-apprenticeship courses at Kidlington-based ACE Train-

By Adam Flinn

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ing.

Emma Forbes from ACE Training said: "The Apprentice Shop idea is a really innovative way to get school leavers excited about apprenticeships. Experience counts for everything in today's job market and apprenticeships give you an NVQ as well as a paid job. Our apprentices are thriving in construction trades, from small carpentry firms to large brickwork specialists."

"Many of them didn't achieve well at GCSE and are proving that you don't have to succeed at school to excel at work."

Following on from the pop-up shop in Bicester, small businesses will also have a chance to find out about apprenticeships, in an event to be held in Woodstock on Tuesday.

It is taking place at the Marlborough Enterprise Centre from 9.45am to 11.45am, and will also be giving advice to sixth form students at The Marlborough School. For more information about both events, go to [www.oxfordshireskillsboard.org/apprenticeships](http://www.oxfordshireskillsboard.org/apprenticeships).

## The day when Kryten met humanoid Artie

ACTOR Robert Llewellyn visited Oxford Brookes University last week, and was given the chance to meet a life-sized humanoid robot Artie.

Robert, most famous for playing Kryten in the sitcom Red Dwarf, was at Brookes to talk to digital media students about his experiences in the media industry on and off camera.

He later visited the department's new Cognitive Robotics Laboratory to meet Artie, a 'RoboThespian' created by Engineered Arts in Cornwall.

Artie is part of the department's research in human-robot interaction, allowing students to apply their understanding of programming to the control of sophisticated robots.

Writing on Twitter, Robert said: "Had the bizarre pleasure of meeting Mr RoboThespian. He's an amazing chap."

"He is spookily able, his eyes and head follow you around the room. He'll say whatever you type."

Robert has other links to



• Robert Llewellyn meets Artie the 'RoboThespian'

Brookes, as he took part in a large-scale trial of electric vehicles to assess driver behaviour.

The national project involved

the university's Psychology Department, who spoke with hundreds of drivers of electric vehicles about their driving experiences.

## News Bites

### Clock under the hammer

A RARE Oxfordshire clock is set to be sold in Yorkshire in the next few days, with an estimated guide price of between £25,000 and £30,000.

The clock was made by John Knibb, a former Mayor of Oxford who worked as a clockmaker in the city in the 17th century, with this example dating between 1685 to 1690.

It will be sold either tomorrow or Saturday by Tennants Auctioneers at their centre in Leyburn, North Yorkshire.

### Charity award

A WOODSTOCK-BASED charity has won the prestigious Rochdale Pioneers Award for an outstanding contribution to the global co-operative movement.

The Plunkett Foundation helps rural communities through co-operation, with initiatives like setting up community-run shops and pubs alongside a range of food and farming co-operatives.

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## Men without country...

### Sing along!

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### All that jazz

A COLLECTION of Europe's finest jazz players and composers perform at Oxford's North Wall Arts Centre on Sunday.

Music comes from the Schlippenbach Trio, led by premier jazz bandleader Alexander von Schlippenbach, and Noszferatu, made up of Finn Peters, Ivo de Greef and Damien Harron.

The show begins at 8pm, tickets are £14. Call 01865 319450 or go to [www.thenorth-wall.com](http://www.thenorth-wall.com).

By Adam Flinn

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SOUTH Wales duo Man Without Country perform in Oxford on Sunday evening, showcasing their atmospheric sound, heavy bass and powerful vocals.

Made up of Tomas Greenhalf and Ryan James, the group take influence from Scandinavian artists including The Knife, When Saints Go Machine and The Field.

Speaking about the band's music, Tomas said: "You don't know whether to dance to us or just listen to it, and wallow in it."

"The music is often moody, dark and melancholic, usually in minor keys, but there are also some uplifting passages which emphasise the poignancy of the lyrics."

Tomas and Ryan met on a popular music degree in 2006, with both admitting to each other the only reason they had joined the course was to find other musicians.

Ryan's love of music came when he was a teenager, with a



• Man Without Country perform in Oxford on Sunday (Picture by Robert Bellamy)

love of the metal music of Death Cab For Cutie and The Postal Service.

"That's when I first realised the sort of music that was my calling, and that I wanted to sing," said Ryan.

"I hadn't realised before how creative and upfront you could be with lyrics and poetry, which took me down a different road."

"Some lyrics are more personal, and some are more

ambiguous than others."

The pair exchanged a number of emails with snippets of audio attached, before taking it one step further and renting a rehearsal space.

Their debut album *Foe* soon followed, with help from renowned producer Ken Thomas, who had agreed to mix the album for them.

Tomas said: "We'd never had any outside involvement in our work, so it was good to have

an impartial point of view to bring a fresh perspective on the music."

"Ken's work with punk and post-punk bands is also relevant to the outcome of *Foe*. We wanted that edge and energy, to prevent the songs from sounding too clean and clinical."

Sunday's show starts at 7pm, and tickets cost £6.

For more information, go to [www.o2academyoxford.co.uk](http://www.o2academyoxford.co.uk) or call 0844 477 2000.

### Texas are back

FOLLOWING the release of their eighth studio album 'The Conversation', Scottish rock/pop band Texas return with their full UK tour, which comes to Oxford's New Theatre on Sunday evening.

The group have sold over 30 million albums worldwide in their 25 years in the industry, and the new album is the first to be released in eight years.

Tickets for the show start from £41.90 for a 7pm start. For booking details, go to [www.newtheatreoxford.org.uk](http://www.newtheatreoxford.org.uk) or call 0844 871 3020.

### Rollin' Clones

TRIBUTE act to one of the most influential rock and roll bands of all time, the Rollin' Clones present their new show at Banbury's Mill Arts Centre tomorrow evening.

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# Lured into a Deathtrap!

## The Gondoliers

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Five performances of *The Gondoliers* will be staged. For a full list of show times and booking information, go to [www.kentontheatre.co.uk](http://www.kentontheatre.co.uk) or call 01491 575698.

## Gary Numan

GARY Numan comes to the Oxford O2 Academy tomorrow evening, following the release of his brand new album 'Splinter'.

He is best known for his electro-punk anthem 'Cars' and the hugely influential album 'The Pleasure Principle', and performs a mix of hits from his back catalogue.

The show starts at 7pm, and tickets cost £25. For more details, go to [www.o2academyoxford.co.uk](http://www.o2academyoxford.co.uk) or call 0844 477 2000.

By Adam Flinn

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OXFORDSHIRE-BASED theatre company AmEgos are staging a production of Ira Levin's classic comedy thriller *Deathtrap*, on until Saturday in Wantage.

The comedy thriller holds the record for being the longest-running production of its genre, and has previously been adapted into a film starring Christopher Reeve and Michael Caine.

Abingdon actor Stephen Rees stars as Sidney Bruhl, while Wantage's Suzanne Parrott plays the part of his on-stage wife Myra.

Stephen said: "I appeared in AmEgos debut production 'The Rise and Fall of Little Voice', where I played the small town music promoter Ray Say, so was thrilled to get the part of Sidney in this fabulous thriller."

"Both Ray and Sidney were parts that have been played by Michael Caine in the film adaptations of these plays."

"Although the two characters are quite different, they are



• Stephen Rees and Suzanne Parrott star in *Deathtrap*, staged in Wantage until Saturday

both prepared to scheme and engineer events to get success and they won't let anyone get in their way."

Suzanne added: "I knew quite a few of the AmEgos before I joined them for their debut production."

"I played Sadie, the quiet, lonely neighbour and although it's quite a gritty play, we had

such a laugh rehearsing and



performing it. "I wasn't able to take a part in the next production, the musical 'The Pajama Game', but agreed to be the stage manager."

"Then unfortunately one of the lead characters broke her hip in show week, and I stood in for her at the very last minute. It was quite hair-raising, but I loved it."

"So I was absolutely thrilled

when I was offered the part of Myra in *Deathtrap*. The play is an edge of the seat thriller, with some great comic flashes, twists and turns to keep you guessing."

All shows take place at Shush! The Venue, starting at 7.30pm tonight and tomorrow and at 6pm on Saturday.

For more details, go to [www.amegostheatre.com](http://www.amegostheatre.com).

## Sir, With Love

OXFORD Playhouse presents *To Sir, With Love*, the story of ex-RAF pilot Ricky Braithwaite who experiences what it means to be black in post-war England.

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## The Italian job

ITALIAN composer and pianist Ludovico Einaudi brings his evocative music to Oxford's New Theatre tonight, performing pieces he has written for more than 20 films.

Describing his music, he said: "There is something in it that comes from classical, but I have influences from different music I have experienced in my life, from African music to folk and rock."

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**28 Nov, 8pm**  
*Fat Lil's, Corn Street, Witney*  
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**30 Nov, 8:20pm - 11pm**  
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20.45 Jeff Wode  
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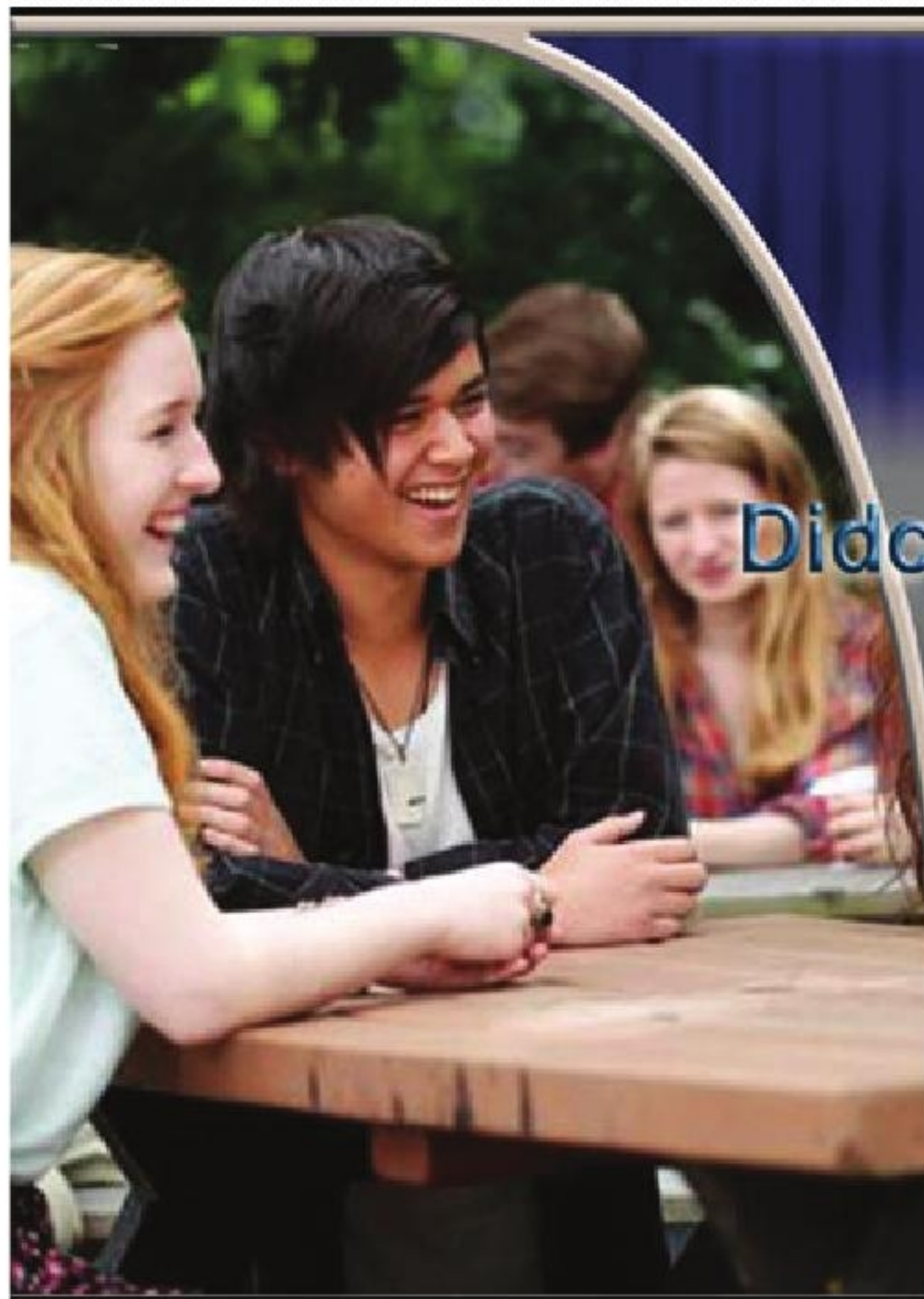
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### PUDDINGS

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### CHRISTMAS DAY

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Rabbit & pistachio nut terrine with rocket, crostini & spiced orange chutney

Rillettes of salmon with a herb salad & garlic crostini

Honey baked figs & Manchego cheese rocket salad with a honey balsamic dressing (v)

Cullen skink - smoked haddock & potato soup with rustic bread

### MAINS

Roasted British turkey with bacon wrapped sausages, stuffing, cranberries & a rich gravy

Gilthead bream on a chorizo, saffron & sun-blushed tomato risotto

Grilled sirloin steak on the bone with a garlic buttered crevette, parsnip crisps & béarnaise sauce

Baked salmon with a pine nut & watercress crust with a prawn sauce

Winter vegetable dauphinoise with Cropwell Bishop Stilton crust, caramelised shallots & port jus (v)

Main courses are served with crispy roast potatoes or buttered new potatoes & a selection of seasonal winter vegetables

### PUDDINGS

Traditional Christmas pudding with brandy sauce

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## Two speed crossword

### Quick Clues Across

- 1 Orator (7)
- 5 Anything giving great pleasure (5)
- 8 Drop (4)
- 9 Contrary (8)
- 10 Reluctance (13)
- 13 Man-eating giant (4)
- 14 Immense (4)
- 17 Inquiring into (13)
- 19 Most spacious (8)
- 20 Cut off (4)
- 21 Gloomy (5)
- 22 Entreaties (7)

### Quick Clues Down

- 2 Tracts of level country (6)
- 3 Uniting (7)
- 4 Softening (9)
- 5 Strip of leather (5)
- 6 Clear (7)
- 7 Locks of hair (7)
- 11 Steersman (9)
- 12 Mixed (7)
- 13 Easily understood (7)
- 15 Convince (7)
- 16 Reply (6)
- 18 Slippery (5)

### Cryptic Clues Across

- 1 I try aid for the drought condition (7)
- 5 Established as in a plot (5)
- 8 Cream of sounds? (4)
- 9 I have water and rum in the goldfish bowl (8)
- 10 Then drums sort out the atmosphere disturbances (13)
- 13 Appear from these embarrassing moments (4)
- 14 Shoot back with one on the peak (4)
- 17 One who believes in always giving thanks before meals? (7,6)
- 19 Less usual to find a foreigner (8)
- 20 Carry the animal (4)
- 21 But not necessarily a tree that was planted earlier (5)
- 22 Renew the French sheen (7)

### Cryptic Clues Down

- 2 Outlines the plans for part of the golf course (6)
- 3 Disturb the grandee (7)
- 4 Take back the skill of the French man as a shopkeeper (9)
- 5 Will the second-rate survive the explosion? (5)
- 6 Sound pleased it's mounting the footrest (7)
- 7 Mad to go back, and inquires for the linens (7)
- 11 One who always hesitates to speak (9)
- 12 I'm too old-fashioned for this deadlock (7)
- 13 Looked about right, so took the leading role (7)
- 15 Serving several purposes in public transport (7)
- 16 I chatter about the robber (6)
- 18 The man who is satisfied at five hundred going to the front? (5)

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## Scribble space

## Last week's solutions

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8	3	6	5	9	4	2	7	1
4	2	7	6	3	1	9	8	5

### Quick Crossword

Across: 1 Substantial 9 Pan 10 Professed 11 Repel  
13 Natural 14 Trance 16 Sedate 18 Operate 19 Vista  
20 Axiomatic 21 Owe 22 Reprocessed  
Down: 2 Urn 3 Sepal 4 Amount 5 Trestle 6 Austrians  
7 Operational 8 Adulterated 12 Peacetime 15 Charmer  
17 Hectic 19 Vices 21 Ode

### Cryptic Crossword

Across: 1 Concessions 9 Sit 10 Protector 11 Ovoid  
13 Rations 14 Litter 16 Salaam 18 Knitted 19 Reset 20  
Intending 21 Ego 22 Adventurers  
Down: 2 Oat 3 Coped 4 Scours 5 Inertia 6 Nationals  
7 As you like it 8 Presumption 12 Outwitted 15 Entente  
17 Adrift 19 Roger 21 Err

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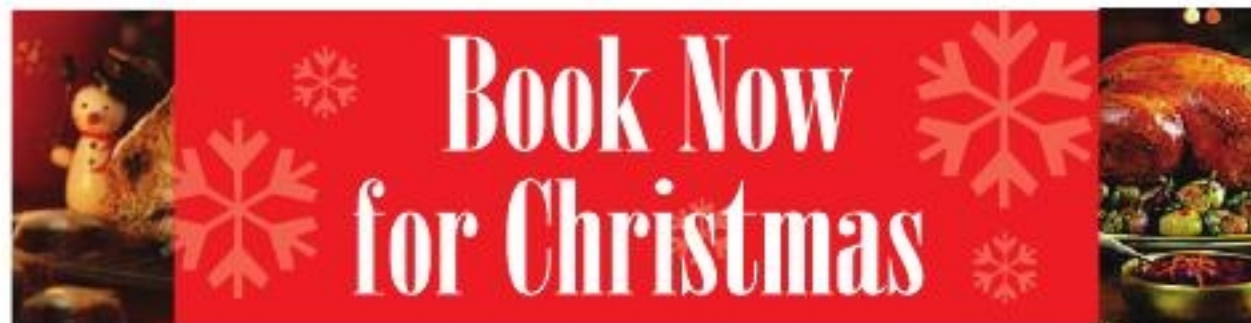
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## Don't leave it till the last minute

WITH less than six weeks to go, the biggest holiday season of the year is coming round fast

So to stave off those last minute Christmas rush around, and desperate calls to fully booked venues its better to get the ball rolling as early as possible.

Even in October when the summer sun is occasionally popping up for a cameo appearance getting bookings made for that Christmas bash or hotel stay for any visiting relatives is vitally important to avoid disappointment.

Right then, it's deadline time, what do

you do? First off, assuming you haven't booked yet start looking through these pages and try to get ideas for what you want to do and then get on the phone.

The one booking that all of us seem to get involved in is the Christmas party or the meal out. Whether it is for workmates, family, or friends the basic rules are the same, you have to try to find something that appeals to everyone.

Friends and family should be easy to organise but the guys and girls you work with can be more of a problem.

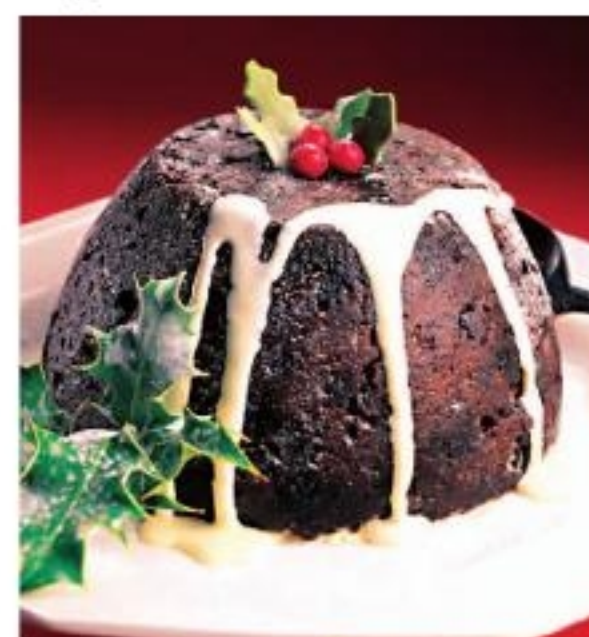
A few basic guidelines should be adhered to.

Where to go is the big question. Almost certainly, you'll want to find a venue that is near to work.

Don't forget that many if not all attending will not be driving so it needs to be convenient for taxis, buses or walking. If you're planning on staying in one venue all evening, then it should also be convenient for people getting home later. If the party is going to carry on to other venues afterwards, then you may need to find somewhere centrally located for more bar and club options.

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all into a place that's too small and you'll no doubt start to see people leave half-way through the evening. On the other hand, a place too big will see the group start to separate into clunky groups.

Try to check out the venue on a busy weekend night to see how it feels with different groups of people sharing the place.

Food can be a tricky call to make. Some will try anything, some are more set in their ways and probably don't want their first experience of Sushi to be at the Xmas bash. Most restaurants, bars, and pubs have a range of meals outside their speciality, especially at Christmas so get

copies of the menus faxed or emailed to you and get them approved early on by those attending.

And most importantly - price. Whether you're in charge of the money or just booking it for everyone, it's a fair bet that you'll have a set budget for the party. Not everyone has the same amount of money to spend so you will need to find a venue that provides value for money, and arrange natural breaks in the evening so anyone who has spent enough doesn't feel they look bad by leaving with everyone else still there.

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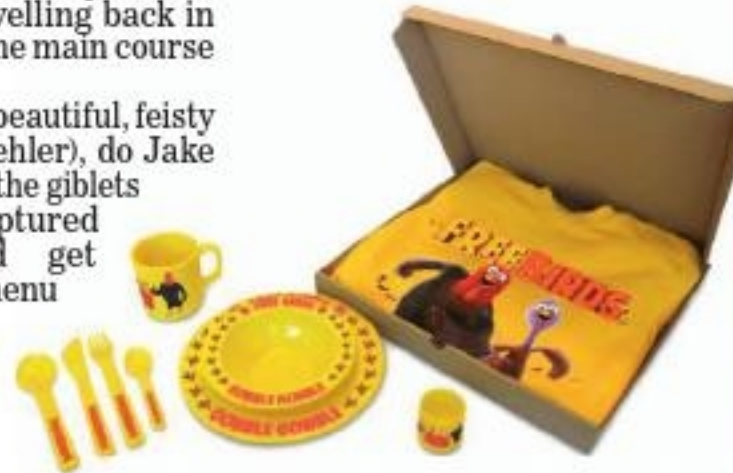
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## New Mazda has aged well

MAZDA'S compact supermini appeared on the scene in 2008. Cosmetic changes for the revised 2012 model include a refreshed face with five corner grille, and big fog lights. The same stylishly sculpted sides and rear-end remain, giving the Mazda2 a taut, dynamic stance.

This latest Venture Edition is based on the five-door hatchback Tamura model and features 16-inch gunmetal alloy wheels, sports styling kit and rear privacy glass. Two petrol engines are available; a 1.3-litre available with 75ps and 84ps outputs and a 1.5-litre with 102ps. The 84ps 1.3 tested here, returns 56.5mpg (combined cycle) and has a CO2 emission rating of 115g/km. Performance around town and on B roads is perfectly adequate – the little Mazda getting to 62 mph in 13.6 seconds. However, on faster A roads and the motorway it can start to feel a bit breathless, so if you're regularly travelling longer journeys, the bigger 1.5

REVIEW: Mazda2 1.3 Venture

By Philip Shoulder

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litre motor is recommended.

The 1.3 can sound also a bit vocal when worked hard, but otherwise refinement levels are acceptable. A stiff bodyshell and re-tuned suspension give the car noticeably better road holding and ride comfort than before.

The precise and nicely-weighted steering combined with compact exterior dimensions give Mazda's supermini a nimble and agile feel. Good visibility, a smooth drivetrain, light clutch and slick manual gearbox also make for an accomplished city companion. Specifications are up on Tamura-spec cars and include: driver's seat height adjustment, leather steering wheel, climate control, and electric rear windows, along with TomTom navigation and Bluetooth.

The cabin has an airy, spacious feel and gives occupants plenty of headroom and the rear bench is comfortably big enough for two. However, at 250 litres, boot space is on the small side.

A well aligned driving position usefully incorporates a left foot rest, although the steering wheel adjusts only for height and not reach; while the front seats – although comfortable – are rather flat and don't offer a huge amount of support. Trim quality feels a bit cheap in places, but it's a nicely styled dashboard, and the navigation function being far better than many rival systems.

**Verdict:**

Mazda's supermini has aged well, still managing to combine desirable looks and possessing enough ability to give it genuine appeal – although it can't ultimately compete with the latest supermini elite. The range would also benefit with the addition of an efficient diesel.



• Mazda2 1.3 Venture

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**59 10 FOCUS 1.6 TDCI**  
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**58 09 KUGA TITANIUM 2.0 TDCI**  
4WD, moon dust silver met/grey, 6 spd, 17" alloys, e/w&m, Sony DAB radio CD, c/l, cruise control, heated screen, front fogs, a/c, FSH, 34,429 miles

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- 10 60 FIESTA 1.25 PETROL ZETEC**, 5dr, hot magenta special met/grey, 5 spd, e/w&m, c/l, front fogs, r/CD, a/c, 5 airbags, alloys, ABS, ESP, PAS, HFS, one owner from new, FSH, 15,700 miles, DUE IN SOON ..... £8,595
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- 11 61 FIESTA ZETEC 1.4 PETROL AUTOMATIC**, 5dr, frozen white/grey, e/w & m, r/CD, PAS, c/l, a/c, Bluetooth, City pack, ABS, ESP, heated screen, 5 airbags, rear park sensors, 12 months manufacturer's warranty, very low mileage 7,159, FSH, one local owner ..... £8,995
- 11 61 FIESTA 1.6 TDCI 95PS ZETEC S DIESEL**, 3dr, panther black met/grey, 5spd, e/w&m, r/CD, alloys, a/c, HFS, ABS, ESP, c/l, 5 airbags, PAS, Blue tooth, FSH, one owner from new, low mileage, £20 RFL per year, 12,200 miles ..... £9,995

## FUSION

- 08 08 FUSION STYLE 1.4 PETROL SEMI AUTO CLIMATE**, 5dr, sea grey met/grey, e/w&m, c/l, HFS, a/c, r/CD, PAS, 2 airbags, front fogs, ABS, service history, one owner from new, 36,900 miles ..... £4,995

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- 10 60 MONDEO TITANIUM 2.0 PETROL 1.4PS TITANIUM**, 5spd, 5 dr, chilli met/grey, e/w&m, c/l, DAB radio CD, heated windscreen, climate control, front fogs, alloys, ABS, ESP, cruise, park sensors, service, one owner from new, 35,500 miles ..... £9,495

## KA

- 10 60 KA ZETEC 1.2 PETROL**, 3dr, blush met/grey, 5 spd, climate con, e/w&m, c/l, HFS, PAS, r/CD, alloys, ABS, 2 airbags, front fogs, low mileage, 2 owners from new, 26,725 miles, FSH ..... £7,295
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- 10 10 KA ZETEC 1.2 PETROL**, 3dr, blush met/grey, 5 spd, a/c, e/w&m, c/l, HFS, PAS, r/CD, alloys, ABS, 2 airbags, rear park sensors, RFL £30 per year, one owner, FSH, low mileage 16,151 miles ..... £6,995
- 07 07 KA 1.3 ZETEC CLIMATE**, petrol, 3dr, grey met/grey, 5 speed, Radio CD, Air Con, Heated front screen, Remote central locking, Electric windows and mirrors, Power steering, Alloys, 1 Airbag, ABS, one owner, low mileage for age 22,690 miles ..... £3,995

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- 59 10 FOCUS 1.6 TDCI TITANIUM**, 5dr, vision blue met/grey, 5 spd, e/w & m, HFS, a/c, auto headlights & wipers, PAS, DAB radio CD, ABS, ESP, alloys, rear park sensors, 6 airbags, cruise control, titanium alloys heated seats, one owner, FSH, 38,655 ..... £8,995
- 08 08 FOCUS STYLE 1.6 PETROL 100PS STYLE**, 5 dr, ocean blue met/grey, 5 spd, e/w&m, c/l, PAS, r/CD, a/c, HFS, front fogs, alloys, 6 airbags, ABS, ESP, low mileage, FSH, 35,959 miles ..... £6,995

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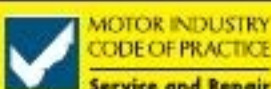


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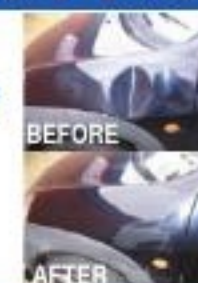
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**VACUUM** cleaner, upright spare bags and instructions Hoover pure power 1500w red good cond, £10, 01235 520986

**ELECTRIC** fire, Dimplex remote control 2kw black coal effect very realistic, £25, 01491 873923

**SHOES**, pair heavy black Clarks mens worn twice size 8 excellent condition, £5, 01491 838988

**SET** of 4 Ford, alloy wheels in vgc taken from O2 Focus Ghia, £80, Abingdon 07543 600544

**TELEPHONE** table, Jaycee make tapestry covered seat with cupboard pull out shelf dark oak good condition, £250ono, 01491 873923

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**MISS** Molly, Xmas Pudding teapot in box new condition collectors item, £15ono, 01235 848634

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# U's leave it late, but keep their FA Cup dream alive

## Smith thanks team after first season

BRADLEY Smith's rookie season in MotoGP came to a close on Sunday, with the Oxford-based rider coming seventh in the final race of the year at Valencia.

Smith made a trademark strong start and was able to fend off team-mate Cal Crutchlow for the opening six laps, before his compatriot was able to get back ahead.

Afterwards Smith had a relatively quiet race, but was able to bring his bike home and ended the year 10th in the standings with 116 points.

He said: "The gap to the fastest guys is less than 30 seconds again and that is a positive end to the weekend, and a really positive way to end the year."

"I think we definitely showed good progress throughout the season and I want to thank my team for the amazing job they have done in teaching and helping me over the last 12 months in this really tough category."

"It has been a lot of fun as well and I'm really grateful to have such an experienced squad behind me."

Testing for next year is already underway, and Smith was able to set the sixth-fastest time on Tuesday, after completing a total of 78 laps.

## Nomads lose at Highmoor

OXFORD City Nomads lost their third game in a row on Saturday, after a disappointing 2-1 defeat away to Highmoor Ibis.

Nomads have slipped down the table in recent weeks after a strong start to the season, and following Saturday's game they were now sixth in the Hellenic Premier Division, with 32 points after 20 games.

Meanwhile, Thame United took two 2-1 victories within a week, the first of which coming at home to Binfield in the league on Saturday.

This was followed up with a 2-1 victory over AFC Hinksey in the Oxfordshire Senior Cup, and will play Carterton or Freeland in the next round.

Kidlington enjoyed a dominant 10-0 win over Chalgrove Cavaliers, as they also progressed to the next round of the county cup.

Abingdon Town picked up their fifth point of the season on Saturday, with a 0-0 draw at home to Highworth Town.

The Abbots next play Newbury on Saturday, with new manager Paul Davis at the helm after he was announced by the club yesterday afternoon.

A LATE Danny Rose equaliser saw Oxford United avoid an FA Cup first round upset at the hands of Conference side Gateshead last Saturday as they battled back from the brink to draw 2-2 and force a replay.

James Marwood's wonder strike from 30 yards put the Tynesiders in front on 12 minutes and United were in deep trouble just six minutes after the break as Jamie Chandler slotted the ball past Ryan Clarke for 2-0.

However, Chris Wilder's men rallied and the impact of substitute Ryan Williams saw United bombard the Gateshead penalty area for the last 20 minutes.

On 76 minutes the pressure paid off as Deane Smalley slammed home David Hunt's low cross for his sixth of the season.

James Constable also went close as United pushed for an equaliser but a last roll of the dice saw Adam Bartlett brilliantly deny Smalley and Rose bravely headed the ball over the line.

The replay will be played at Gateshead's International Arena on November 20, while a trip to Wrexham, another Conference club, awaits in the second round.

In a match where United look disjointed and average for 70 minutes, Rose was disappointed not to win the game.

He said: "It is a game we should be winning, not comfortably because they are a decent side, but we were not good enough in all aspects of

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the game especially the first 70 minutes.

"But we showed a bit of spirit which we have shown on many occasions."

He added: "We started quite brightly, we passed it well, and then the goal deflated us which

it shouldn't do as it was 1-0 and it wasn't the end of the world.

"For one reason or another they managed to get a foothold in the game and after that their spirits were up and too many of us went into our shell."

"We started the second half quite brightly but the goal came again but thankfully we managed to scrape through in the end."

Tom Newey was forced off at half-time with concussion after a clash with Clarke but a more worrying sight for Wilder was his captain Jake Wright limping off with a hamstring injury after half an hour.

This weekend United return to league action and have the opportunity to go back to the top of the table as they travel to Mansfield Town.



• Deane Smalley challenges for the ball (Picture by Steve Daniels)

## Resilient City take four points from six

OXFORD City secured four points from six in three days this week.

Mike Ford's men thumped Stockport County 4-1 on Saturday, before coming from behind twice on Tuesday night to secure a 2-2 draw at Histon.

An unfortunate Lee Henderson own goal only spurred City on at the weekend, and Jamie Cook almost levelled after 10 minutes as his shot flew inches wide.

Five minutes later the home side did pull level when Tom Winters steered the ball home through a crowded box from Chris Palmer's corner.

The home side seized the initiative after the break and took a deserved lead with a superb 30 yard strike from Mike Symonds that flew past Ryan Jones in the County goal.

The visitors were then reduced to 10 men when captain and last man Kieran Charnock saw red after dragging down Darren Pond.

It was Pond who increased City's lead on 67 minutes when he headed powerfully home from Palmer's cross.

Symonds saw an effort ruled out for offside before Callum McNish set up Kayden Jackson to slot home City's fourth.

On Tuesday, goals from Win-

ters and Jackson ensured city came away from Histon with their fourth away point of the season.

City are 18th in the Skrill

North with 12 points from 14 games.

• City's players celebrate against Stockport (Picture by Mike Allen)



## Sport Bites

### Steady Eddie

FRILFORD Heath golfer Eddie Pepperell managed to finish in a solid tie for 50th place at the Turkish Airlines Open on Sunday, with a score of eight under par.

Rounds of 69, 74, 65 and 72 meant that Pepperell finished on the same score as three-time major champion Padraig Harrington, along with Belgian Nicolas Colsaerts.

However it was not enough to make the top 60 of the Race to Dubai, with Pepperell eventually finishing 76th, with 389,766 points.

### Hawks win

OXFORD Hawks strong form continued on Saturday, with a 3-0 win to move up to sixth in hockey's South League Premier 1.

Goals from Jack Biggs, Tom Godding and Ethan Chapman wrapped up the points for Hawks, in what turned out to be a comfortable victory for the hosts.

They play again on Saturday, away at unbeaten league leaders Spencer.

### Stars fade

OXFORD City Stars endured two defeats in the National Ice Hockey League 2 South over the weekend, with a 3-2 loss away at Lee Valley Lions on Saturday followed by a 6-2 drubbing at home to the Bristol Pitbulls. They have fallen to second in the league as a result, with 12 points from seven games.

## 10 in 10 for the Quins

OXFORD Harlequins faced more of a challenge, but were still able to make it 10 wins from 10 after coming from behind to beat Devizes 19-11 on Saturday.

Devizes were 11-5 ahead of half-time but Quins were able to get back into control, and now enjoy a seven point lead at the top of the South West 1 East table.

Meanwhile, Grove were able to grab a last minute try to earn a draw in their home match against Newbury Blues, which ended 16-16.

Guy Nicholl was the hero for Grove to earn his side a point, placing Grove ninth in the standings with 23 points.

Both sides are now preparing to play each other on November 23, when Quins host Grove for the first time this season.

In the SSE National League 1, Henley Hawks lost for the second game in succession, as they were defeated 17-10 at home to Old Albanian.

But Chinnor were able to pick up a 40-17 victory in the SSE National League 2 South, to sit tied-fourth in the league.



More Sport inside: **Motorsport:** Smith thanks team after first season | **Rugby** 10 in 10 for the Quins

# MORE TO COME - EXILES CHIEF

## Burnell calls for more after magnificent seven

THERE'S plenty more to come from London Welsh according to head coach Justin Burnell, after Exiles made it seven wins from seven with a 22-7 victory over Bristol to go five points clear at the top of the Greene King IPA Championship table.

Welsh took their chances at the Kassam with tries from Alex Davies, Seb Stegmann and Ollie Stedman, with Ross Johnston replying for the away side, who remain in second place.

"I still think we're only playing at 75 per cent of our ability, which is a big difference to where we were against Plymouth at home. I thought we were only 65 per cent there, so we are getting better," said Burnell.

"Happy with the second half performance and happy with the win. We knew Bristol would come with the intent to score tries. We

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kept them to one try today and once again just happy with the progress we're making."

However, the coach stressed Sunday's result will have no bearing on the season as whole.

"The league wasn't going to be won or lost today. We put the same amount of effort in whether we're playing Bedford or Plymouth, and that same approach was given to Bristol. We're very respectful to all our opposition," he said.

"But what a fantastic advert to Championship rugby - it was pretty end-to-end. Some good players on show and a brilliant advert for open rugby."

There was also a debut for new London Welsh signing Ian

Nimmo. The former Cornish Pirates second row started the game before replaced in the second half.

"I was very pleased with him. He gives you a big physical presence but what I like about him is his outlook. He joined us at the start of the week and from day one he's been a major part of the environment, and his work ethic is fantastic. He fits in very well with us," said Burnell.

The Exiles are back at the Kassam Stadium next Sunday when bottom placed side Ealing are the visitors. Welsh's approach, however, will be exactly the same.

"Turn up for work on a Monday morning, work hard and the rewards will come at the end of the week. Our philosophy is doing the hard work, being positive and being very respectful of the opposition," said Burnell.

## City back to winning ways



See inside sport

## Last-gasp Rose show gets U's out of jail

LATE goals from Deane Smalley and Danny Rose saw Oxford United battle back from 2-0 down to earn an FA Cup first round replay against Conference side Gateshead.

With 15 minutes to go the Tyne-siders looked to have put United to the sword but Chris Wilder's men never gave up hope.

The replay at Gateshead is scheduled to take place on November 20.

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